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| 16. | मैसर्स महेन्द्रा एंड कंपनी, राजनन्दगांव |
| | एंड मैसर्स सोनल ट्रैडर्स, रायपुर |
| 17. | श्री सुरजीत सिंह चावला एंड अदर्स, रायपुर |
| 18. | श्री बी०एन० दवे, जबलपुर |
| 19. | श्री हिरजी भाई गला एंड अदर्स, जबलपुर |
| 20. | मैसर्स लक्ष्मण भाई दया भाई पटेल, दुर्ग |
| 21. | निको जयसवाल ग्रुप, भिलाई |
| 22. | श्रीमंत सेठ ऋषभ कुमार जैन, सागर |
| 23. | मैसर्स बाल्मिको प्रसाद एंड संस, महेन्द्रगढ़ |
| 24. | मैसर्स घनश्यामदास पेरूमल, जबलपुर |

**Cheque Bounced and returned by Canara Bank**

944. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH;

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proprietor of a firm. amed 'Maharaja Transport Kareer' has ued a large number of cheques amounting to lakhs of rupees on the Canara Bank, Village and P.O. Bilga, District Jalandhar, which have bounced and returned by the bank to the parties cocerned;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard viz. name and address of the proprietor, the number, amount and the names of persons/parties to whom such cheques have been issued during the year 1993 and so far in 1994.

(c) whether the Proprietor of the said firm has cheated and played fraud with a large number of innocent persons by issuing such cheques;

(d) what action Government have taken in the matter to check such frauds; and

(e) what steps the Canara Bank, Bilga, has takan so far to inform the general public about the fraudulent issue of cheques by the proprietor of the above firm so as *to* save the innocent persons from falling into the trap of this fraudulent person and firm?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) and (b) Canara Bank have reported that they do not have any account in the name and title 'Maharaja Transport Kareer' with their Bilga branch. However, the branch had received some cheques signed under the title 'Maharaja Transport Kareer' from a cheque book issued to M/s. Mann Dehradun Carriers Transport who are having a current account with the branch. The cheques were returned unpaid by the branch as they did not pertain to the account for which the cheque book had been issued.

In accordance with the statutes, govern-ing the nationalised banks and in keep-ing with the practices and usages customary amongst bankers, further details' such as the number, amount and the names Of the persons/parties to whom such cheques have been issued during the year 1993 and so far in 1994 may not be disclosed.

(c) Canara Bank have no information in this regard.

(d) and (e) Canara Bank have reported that they have taken necessary precau tions at branch level to ensure that the bank is not defrauded.

**Scrapping of promoters' quota by SEBI**

945. SHRI BISHAMBHAR NATH PANDE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that SEBI is planning to move scrapping of promoters' quota by the companies floating shares in the open market; and

(b) if so, whether the reaction of the trade and industry has been considered by Government in this regard?